earlier price, the present price and the percentage increase in each case;

(c) what is the name of each producer of each such preparation;

(d) whether it is a fact that all these producers are required to provide break up as required under DPCO 1987 before increasing the prices of their medicines; and

(e) if so, names of the companies who provided the break up along with the justification in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) and (e) The number of Antibiotic formulations and vitamin preparations presently being marketed in the country as well as the number of manufacturing companies is very large. Increase in the prices of some scheduled antibiotic formulations and combination vitamin formulations has been allowed as per provisions of DPCO, 1987. All single ingredient Category III antibiotic formulations marketed under generic name as well as all single ingredient vitamin formulations are exempted from price control.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Increased prices of medicines

62. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 8483 given the Rajya Sabha on the 28th March, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is hardly monitoring the prices of 5 per cent price decontrolled medicines;

(b) whether it is a fact that prices of 65 per cent of the price decontrolled medicines have been increased;

(c) whether it is also a fact that it is obligatory for the manufacturers to submit data of price increase before increasing the prices;

(d) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry is getting DRG which provides price increases of medicines on monthly basis; and

(e) what are the names of the medicines, both price controlled and decontrolled, whose prices have been increased upto 15th April, 1988 which have come to the notice of his Ministry through data and along with the previous and present price as well as percentage increase in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The required details in the question are quite voluminuous and are not readily available. The time and affect required for collection of these will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved, however some details for decontrolled medicines are given in reply to the Rajya Sabha U.S.Q. No. 635 answered on 29-2-1988.

Price Control on Bulk Vitamins

63. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2729 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of representations have been made by Consumer Association, Members of Parliament and Medical Associations for inclusion of vitamin bulk drugs in the Drugs Price Control Order;

(b) if so, number of representations received upto date along with the details and reasons given each in support of inclusions of bulk vitamins under price control;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Kelkar Committee has informed about recommendations of bulk vitamins for price control by the Committee in reply to the representations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) Details of representations received from the industry, Organisations/Associations and Members of Parliament regarding inclusion in-exclusion from the price controlled categories of drugs are given in the enclosed statement I, II and III respectively. *See* reply to the Unstarred Question 44 (a) to (d) *vide* col. 68-72 supra). The representation have been forwarded to the Kelkar Committee. The report of the committee has not been received.

Bulk drugs for Saridon etc.

64. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3466 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th March, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the names of bulk drugs from which Saridon, Equegesic, Esgipyrin and Vovern are manufactured along with the names of producers of the bulk drugs;

(b) what are the production of each drug of each producer along with the licensed capacity of each;

(c) whether his Ministry fixed the prices of these drugs under DPCO, 1979; and

(d) if so, the price fixed for each?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The required details to the extent available are given below:

S.No.	Name of formulation/Manufacturer	Bulk Drug
1	Saridon (M/s. Roche)	Phenyl-dimethylisoprophyl-pyrazoloons Diethyl-dicxo-tetrahydro-pyridine Paracetamol Caffeine
2	Equagesic Tablets (M/s. John Wyeth)	Peprobamate Ethoheptazine Citrate Aspirin
3	Esgipyrin Tablets (S.G. Pharma)	Phenylbutazone Propyphenazone
4	Voveran Tablets (H.Ciba Geigy)	Diclofanac Sodium